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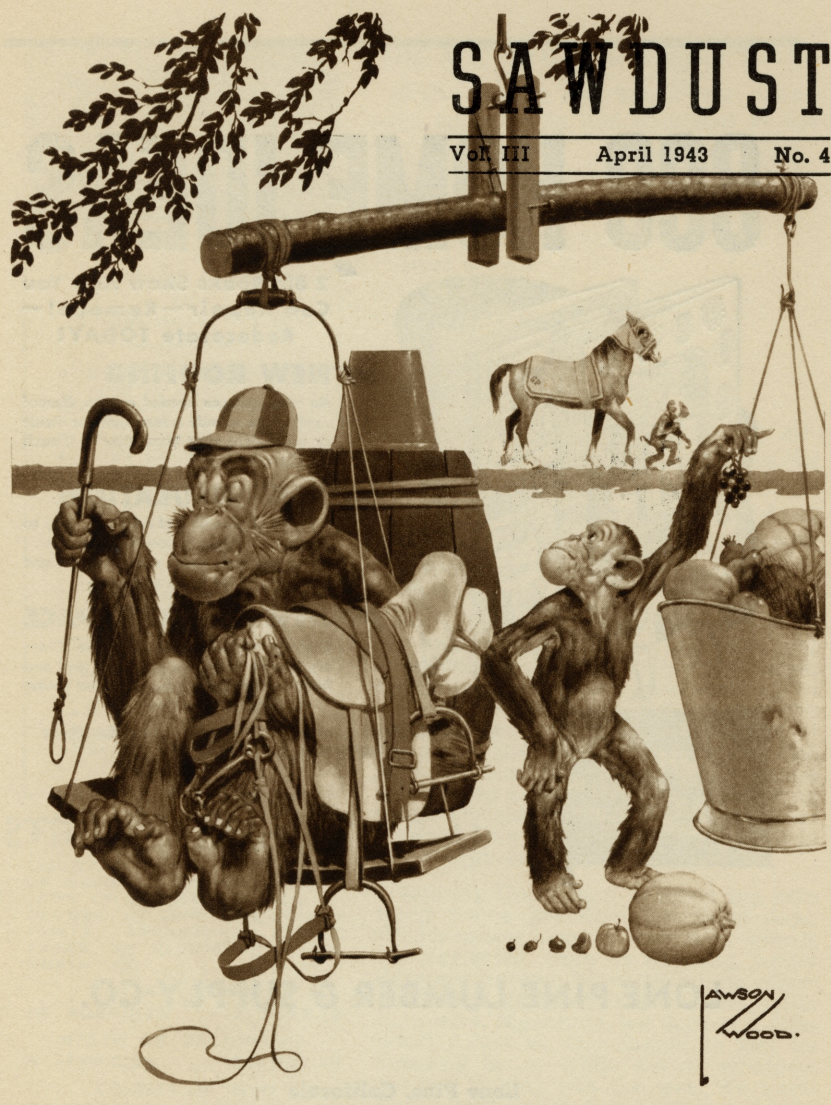

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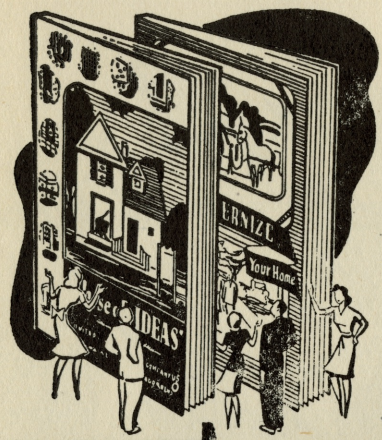

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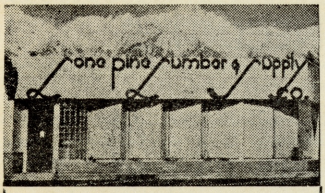

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'SHE AIN'T WHAT SHE USED TO BE'

We've signed up, too. These names once appeared in our masthead at the left of this page:

J. W. McKinney.
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Charles Harned.
Jesse Brown.
Clark O'Connell.
Laura Thouvenell.
Bert Zucco.
Ralph W. Scott.
A. M. Carl.

Things around here certainly are different. Business for Uncle Sam takes the place of business for ourselves. Instead of being able to ask for business, we can only ask you folks to be patient with our wartime service.

We are now closed during the noon hour. It may be necessary that we literally adopt bank hours and open our store only from 10 to 3. We appreciate the cooperation by the great majority of our friends. To those few others who still hammer at our door to get in at noon and after 5 o'clock, we only wish they understood that there is far more to running a business than waiting on trade. Opening our morning mail after closing hours is now the rule rather than the exception.

Helping Uncle Sam is about the only thing we've got time for these days. Which means some of our good friends are neglected. Sure as shooting, better days are coming. When that time comes you'll find us ready to serve you better than ever. Meantime, we hope you folks won't forget us. Our thanks to you for standing by us while we do whatever we can to help win the war. We know Uncle Sam comes first with you just as he does with us.

"If it won't help win the war—forget it!"

SENTENTIOUS ANECDOTES

Coast to Coast

" 'If Harry L. Englebright could only see me now,' he'd probably say, 'How many times have my constituents accused me of being in just such an assinine position?' " —G. O. G., Independence, Cal.

Military Approbation

"All through the States, then England, and now here 'Somewhere in North Africa,' SAWDUST has reached me. Most of the names that you mention are people that I know... brings back many pleasant memories of Owens Valley."—Corp. August E. Hess.

Life Sentence

"On the first day of June of this year I am to be married and plan to spend my honeymoon at or near Lone Pine. I have been there several times in the past few years and there's a certain charm about Lone Pine that my bride-to-be and I will never forget."—Seaman Wendell Armstrong, Balboa Island, Cal.

The Ostentatious Navy

"Sooner or later the Navy will polish off this war and everyone will be back together. My school is about half way over, so I expect some 'orders' any day now sending me—where?"—Lieut. Howard W. Dueker, Pensacola, Fla.

April Horoscope

"Babies born under this sign will be either boys or girls. Some when grown up will be spoiled, all will smell that way when very young. Avoid controversy with your mother-in-law—you can't win. During this period, wives will drive from the back seat. Serious accidents will be unhealthy. Avoid diphtheria and breathing under water."—Hickory Gap Morning Bugle.

Disjunctive Stratagem

"The recent statement of Secretary of Agriculture Wickard, that farmers must work from 'dawn to dusk' to meet the food production problem—in face of a previous statement by President Roosevelt that the 40 hour week would be continued in urban war industries, as workers grew tired and inefficient if they put in longer hours—served to point up one of the inconsistencies in New Deal handling of the war production effort." —Clem Whitaker.

Prestige Fascination

"The causes of the huge increase in government bureaus and agencies are many, but four are outstanding.

"1. A distressingly poor federal organization which permits one agency to duplicate in detail certain functions of other agencies in the same field.

"2. The difficulty encountered by some agency executives in attempting to rid themselves of incompetent help; the easiest device is to recommend said incompetents for promotion.

"3. The deliberate high-pressure campaign to lure employees into federal service, when in reality a businesslike reorganization would find superfluous much of the present personnel.

"4. The prevalent Washington illusion that a bureau's importance is in direct relation to its size; and, as a corollary, that an official's prestige and rank should be measured by the number of employees under him."—Nevada City Nugget.

A SUPER-COLOSSAL NEW DEAL

Yreka Siskiyou Daily News

Like most other ordinary Americans, this writer still feels a little incredulous about the recent cosmic schemes the National Resources Planning Board threw before Congress to start remaking the United States into a socialist state so far to the left that it might easily be pushed over the brink into communism or a bureaucratic dictatorship.

Incredulous that these plans are being laid out by our "superior" few in Washington to care for the "inferior" multitude who once constituted a free and proud people.

Consider the so-called "security" plans for the individual.

It "promises" everybody an adequate diet and adequate shelter during childhood. Is it demagogic to say that this involves an invasion of the American home? Are the taxpayers to provide these things outright as gifts, or are children to be removed from "substandard" homes?

It "promises" a college education to everybody who is mentally qualified. How many people actually need a college education? Do two truck drivers, for example, need to be able to discuss Plato in order to enjoy their lunch hour?

It "promises" insurance against "temporary" unemployment, sickness and disability. Again, WHO will pay?

It "promises" assured medical attention with a hint of low fees. This is predicated on socialized status of doctors and hospitals, with the patient sent to whatever doctor or hospital a bureau decided he should go.

It "promises" a retirement annuity in old age for everybody. What is your life insurance worth in view of the above? If a paternalistic government is going to take care of everybody (by regimentation) from "the cradle to the grave," is there any incentive for anyone to work or save or to carry life insurance, or to do anything except become a dependent, helpless mass like livestock on a farm?

Would these provisions be connected with the previous New Deal attacks on life insurance companies—which still control the only large sums of money (in trust for policy holders) that the New Deal was never able to get control of?

In short, is there anything at all about this plan that does not smack of a super-colossal New Deal which is gambling on a depression after the war that will see people flocking back in a "gimme" mass with their votes ready for the party with the biggest promises?

Finally, remember that the "social security" schemes above are only a fraction of the total scheme for re-making America into something that would turn the pioneers in their graves.

Total cost of the schemes so lightly put forth is estimated at not less than 25 BILLION dollars a year—and it has been only a short time ago the present administration was spending billions in "pump priming" in an effort to bring the national income up to $100,000,000,000 a year as a high level of prosperity figure.

In other words, this scheme is calculated to cost taxpayers one-fourth of all national income, and the costs would be in addition to the war debt, other national, state, county and local taxes for other governmental functions that are paid now. What would be left?

Wallpaper

"Take off those glasses!" brought back nostalgic newspaper days of 18 years ago when flute-playing Daniel McCarthy, principal of the local high school, took violent exception to some of our printed chit-chat. A clean-cut young air cadet, named McCarthy, dropped into the store a few days ago and stated with a twinkle in his eyes that his dad had requested that he ascertain if we could still fight like we uster...Incidentally Daniel McCarthy is now employed by the More Dry Dock Corp. in Oakland...We never knew a cracker-jack credit manager to make a bang-up sales-manager, yet Franklin D. Roosevelt has appointed Chester C. Davis to be the nation's Food Czar, primary purpose: to jack-up farm production. An about-face job for a guy who was head of the old AAA from 1933 to 1936, who advocated plowing under every third row, killing the little pigs, etc...To reform a man, said Victor Hugo, you must begin with his grandmother...Classic expression in the comics last month when Lady Plushbottom yelped that a mouse ran into a hole she heard it squeak, was little Kayo's laconic response: "Wotta you want me to do, oil it?" ...We are numbered among small businesses receiving postage-free mail from Congressmen, headed apparently by Representatives Knute Hill and Richard J. Welch, lambasting the steel industry for ruining small business. Rep. Hill asserts: "War Crisis Screens Plot to Liquidate Small Business." Is Congress endeavoring to create a diversion to pass its own shortcomings onto the shoulders of big business? Personally, we'd rather take our chances with the Steel Industry than with Congress. We have never believed that in operating the biggest business in the world—our country, that Congress has been sufficiently endowed with that necessary requisite: Business Sense...We sometimes wonder if Congress isn't flirting with the idea of turning this Democracy of ours into a theocracy...Long Beach, we are told, is composed largely of Iowans. If the Lone Pine colony continues to grow, Whittier will soon be known as the city of Lone Piners...The Lone Pine post-office may soon be advanced to a second class status. It has always been first-class to us...Perhaps slightly aggrieved by the prominence his place of business attained in our amateur movie: "Junktown by the Sierra," Howard Miller has invited us for a re-take as soon as his present clean-up task is completed...We have always been inclined to sniff at so-called Tax Experts. Our prejudices were further increased in being handed a Federal return to use as a basis for making out a State return by one of the movie men here on location. After a perusal we handed it back with the notation that our conscience wouldn't permit it. Among the milder items were several hundred dollars in expenses deducted twice, and depreciation taken on a cash-basis return...Recent long distance shipment: Several coils of barbed wire to Murray, Utah... Speaking of fencing have you seen George Anits' lawn fence hung without the use of a nail or staple? It is spot welded every few inches ...While we are on fences, Jim Rogers deserves a pat for the neat enclosure around his lots on South Hay Street...Indoor sports: Shaking up a bottle of Coca-Cola and dowsing Julius Mahrt's felines with it, much to Julius' delight (?)... Childhood memory: Getting a job at Redpath's Chautauqua that

came to our Indiana town on which the first assignment was trying to borrow three things: Left-handed monkey wrench, rope stretcher and pigeon oil...Mrs. G. W. Dow tells us that stenos are being hired so rapidly in Washington that they just line up the applicants in front of a typewriter, lathe and trip-hammer. If she can pick out the typewriter, she's hired...Jimmy the Red witticism when told to get going to kindergarten if he wanted to be president: "I don't care. I haven't got any chance. I'm a Republican."...Justus Craemer of the State Railroad Commission asserts that speed limits below the normal speed rate for which both trucks and commercial busses are designated is wasteful and uneconomic, as to fuel, machinery and the most essential element of all in the war effort, time. 'Way last October, SAWDUST utilized 2½ pages in blasting the 35-mile per hour speed limit ... Long - to - be - cherished memory: The grand bunch of guys —and a grand lady-director, that we rehearsed with for two weeks in the Red Cross farcical farce "Coast to Coast"...In getting too close to Art Stringer in rehearsals while smoking our cigars, he characterized them as blow-torches... A dentist is probably the only man who can tell a woman to open or close her mouth and get away with it...At home we are told that we are one who insists on the latest edition of the newspaper and then reads only the comic strips...And the ambitious young brassiere salesman said, "Try this one on for size, Miss."

RETROSPECTION
Lone Pine
April — 1928

Earl C. Westcott starts construction of new building leased to J. C. Penney Company and Safeway ...As a result of the H. R. Milam Laundry burning to the ground, G. W. Dow donated all lumber and building materials for reconstruction, Logan Hardware Store all necessary hardware, A. R. Stringer the necessary wiring, Linn Taylor and Ernest Lasky, plumbing. Carpenters donating their labor were: O. H. Honerlah, C. I. Sumner, Frank Chrysler, Ed Diaz, Fred Mayet, L. M. Stubblefield, Bob Meyers, Claude Salazar, Relles Carrasco, R. C. Diaz and Ernie Johnson. Total proceeds of Town Hall show were likewise turned over to the Milams, and cash donations by individuals exceeded $200.00...Hoot Gibson and company of forty people arrived to shoot "On The Sunset Range"... Lone Pine Lumber & Supply Company's page-length advertisement: "Welcome to our City, as far as we are concerned. About 572 mail order catalogs will arrive here again this Spring and many of them will be read on Sunday instead of the family Bible. Bring your catalog in to us and we'll meet and even beat prices on Building Materials, Paints, Hardware, Plumbing, Etc. We'll give you no reason to send away your money" ...Mrs. M. G. Giraud takes over operation of Mountain View Restaurant...The following pleaded guilty to sale or possession of bootleg in Justice Piercy's Court: Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lovos, A. L. Sanders, John Moran, F. E. Banks and Red Keown...Sunset Service Station across the street from the Dow Hotel is under construction by J. H. Nicholaides.

Ten Points . . .

1. You cannot bring about prosperity by discouraging thrift.
2. You cannot strengthen the weak by weakening the strong.
3. You cannot help small men by tearing down big men.
4. You cannot help the poor by destroying the rich.
5. You cannot lift the wage-earner by pulling down the wage-payer.
6. You cannot keep out of trouble by spending more than your income.
7. You cannot further the brotherhood of man by inciting class hatred.
8. You cannot establish sound security on borrowed money.
9. You cannot build character and courage by taking away a man's initiative and independence.
10. You cannot help men permanently by doing for them what they could and should do for themselves.

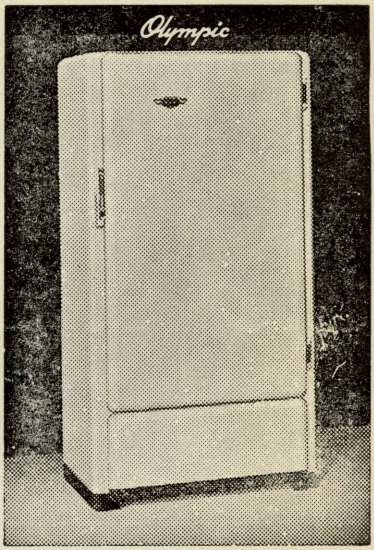
—Land O' Lakes News.

—SD—

Lincoln on Limitation . . .

The philosophy behind the Executive order setting a top limit of what man is permitted to earn is the philosophy of levelling off at the top, of taking from those who have and giving to those who have not. How different the principles of President Lincoln, who during the Civil War in his message to Congress of December 3, 1861, said:

"Property is fruit of labor; property is desirable; is a positive good in the world. That some should be rich shows that others may become rich, and hence is just encouragement to industry and enterprise... Let not him who is houseless pull down the house of another, but let him labor diligently to build one for himself, thus by example assuring that his own shall be safe from violence...I take it that it is best for all to leave each man free to acquire property as fast as he can. Some will get wealthy. I don't believe in a law to prevent a man from getting rich; it would do more harm than good."



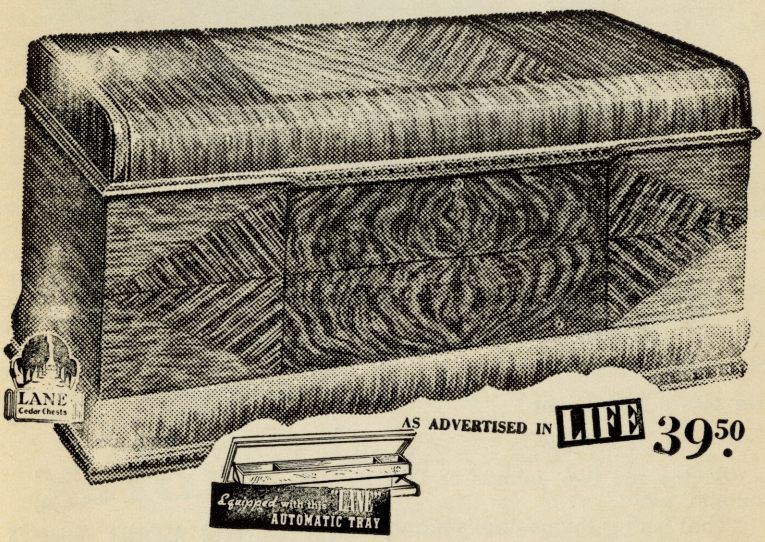
Olympic Ice Refrigerators to tide you over for the duration. No more after these are gone.

Josephine Dilys Owen Goes to Washington

There was a young gal from Lone Pine
Who loved her fresh juice off the vine;
But she dashed down to Wash
To help fight, B'Gosh
And we think she is doing just fine.

But you can't take the pine from J. D.
As you can't take the foam from the sea,
So for lack of the real thing
We do hope this will help bring
Just a whiff of that sunny countree.

Pine Foam Bubble Bath
To soothe her soul
And smooth her path
Bubbles, bubbles, Pine and Foam
The more she pines
The more she'll foam.
Best luck to J. D. in her fancy new home!



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Behind The Bandsaw

The day after new neighbors moved in, little Mary spied two children enjoying themselves by running naked through a lawn sprinkler. That night she told her father she had two new playmates next door.

"What are they—boys or girls?" asked Dad.

"I don't know—I couldn't tell," Mary replied. "They didn't have any clothes on."

—SD—

"No Governor in many years has been able to love on the salary paid him, even though he is supplied with a furnished home rent-free." —Petersburg, Va., News.

—SD—

Old Maid's Prayer: "Now I lay me down to sleep—darn it!"

—SD—

"Halt!" ordered the sentry. "Who goes there?"

"You wouldn't know me," replied the voice in the darkness. "I just got here yesterday."

—SD—

He kissed her in the garden

It was a moonlight night.

She was a marble statue—

He was a little tight.

—SD—

"Giving me two pounds of that salmon, pleez."

"That isn't salmon—that's ham."

"Did enybody esk vot your opinion vas?"

HE MARRIED AN ANGEL—

● Joe always said Mildred was an angel. But sometimes he doubted it, until one day she did something about the roof of their house. Without bothering Joe, she called us up, had us inspect the roof. From our wide selection of Celotex Asphalt Shingles, she chose several she liked best. Then she gave Joe the dope—he was astounded that he could buy a new, beautiful roof for so little money—he was pleased to know that protection was assured by the Celotex triple sealing—and he was delighted that his wife had done all the preliminaries herself—the little angel! You'll find we can be of great help to you, too.

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